

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

ERICA BASSETT

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Erica Bassett for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Erica Bassett is a student at Drake Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Erica Bassett is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Erica Bassett for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

## RECOGNIZING MS. PATSY SQUIRE

### HON. TJ COX

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. COX of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Patsy Squire for her service and dedication to the United States Postal Service in Corcoran, California. After thirty-six years of exceptional customer service and commitment, Ms. Squire will be retiring.

Ms. Squire began her career at the Post Office in 1983 and everyone in the community can attest that she has gone above and beyond her daily duties. Ms. Squire is an integral part of the City of Corcoran and has become a dear friend to all her customers and colleagues. From working as a letter carrier, to being a friendly face behind the counter, Ms. Squire has spent close to four decades serving the people of Corcoran at the Post Office.

Throughout the years, Ms. Squire has seen children grow up, graduate, get married and even have children of their own. She has played an important role in the lives of everyone in the community and her customers and colleagues alike will miss her presence dearly.

Ms. Squire plans on spending her well-deserved retirement working within her home, golfing, taking road trips, and going hunting and camping.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in commending and congratulating Ms. Patsy Squire for her service to the City of Corcoran and her retirement from the United States Postal Service.

HONORING REPRESENTATIVE  
WALTER B. JONES, JR.

SPEECH OF

## HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Ms. DELAURO, Madam Speaker, I rise to honor late Congressman Walter Jones, Jr.

Farmville, North Carolina is quite a distance away from my hometown of New Haven, Connecticut. But, they are closer than at first appearance. Both have loving families and hard-working Americans, dedicated to giving their children a better life.

Congressman Walter Jones and I may appear as far apart as Farmville and New Haven. But in more than two decades together in this body, it was clear how much we shared.

We both understood that our faith informs and motivates what we do and how we vote in the U.S. Congress.

And we fought side by side and successfully against the Trans Pacific Partnership on behalf of working men and women.

Now, Walter and I did not agree on every point or policy. But the friendship we shared and the collaboration we achieved is what we should aspire to in the Congress.

As I have seen in my years here, Members will always fight for their constituents. But, it is so much better to be fighting together than fighting one another.

And, it was an honor to fight alongside Congressman Jones.

He was a man of conviction, a man of faith, a man of honor and kindness, a gentle man, who served his constituents and our country ably.

I will continue to cherish our partnerships, our victories and our friendship. But, importantly, I will continue to follow his lead, with regards to compromise and collaboration. May we all. Then, we can best honor Congressman Walter Jones, Jr.'s memory.

## ZEKARIYA BEARCE

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Zekariya Bearce for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Zekariya Bearce is a student at Mandalay Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Zekariya Bearce is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their edu-

cation and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Zekariya Bearce for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

## RECOGNIZING THE 2018-2019 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIVISION ON OBTAINING CERTIFICATION OR RECERTIFICATION BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate the educators serving in the Prince William County Public Schools Division on obtaining certification or recertification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Founded in 1987, the National Board was established by teachers for teachers as the premier vehicle for defining and recognizing accomplished educators. Today, this independent nonprofit organization remains dedicated to supporting excellence in education and is governed by classroom teachers, school administrators, school board leaders, governors, state legislators, higher education officials, teacher union leaders, and business and community leaders.

A National Board Certification denotes the most respected professional certification available in the education field. Obtaining certification and completing the renewal process is a personal and public statement of one's commitment to the evolution of effective instruction methods. In order to obtain the distinction, teachers must display a mastering of the standards established by the National Board by successfully completing a rigorous multi-component assessment that demonstrates that he or she has acquired the knowledge, skills, and practices required of an accomplished educator. Certified educators support a vision of teaching based on the following five core propositions:

1. Teachers are committed to students and their learning;
2. Teachers know the subjects they teach and how to teach those subjects to students;
3. Teachers are responsible for managing and monitoring student learning;
4. Teachers think systematically about their practice and learn from experience; and
5. Teachers are members of learning communities.

I extend my personal congratulations and appreciation to the following 2018 National Board Certified Teachers for receiving their respective certifications and renewals:

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